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1. The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.

2. The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is dismissed.
 - a) The requisite fee of \$ _____ has not been received.
 - b) Other:

3. The amendment filed on Sep. 25, 2001 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:
 - a) entered.
 - b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
 - c) disapproved. See explanation below.
 - d) entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment filed on Sep. 25, 2001 to amend claim 28 to include provisos is entered to correct an error. It does not affect the patentability of allowed claims. Also, the drawings have been approved by the draftsperson.

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